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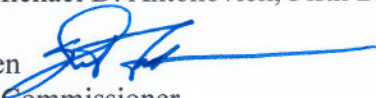
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TO: Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, Chairman, Third District
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FROM: Kurt E. Floren 
Agricultural Commissioner
Director of Weights and Measures

SUBJECT: **ORIENTAL FRUIT FLY ERADICATION**

On Tuesday, November 13, an Oriental Fruit Fly (OFF) specimen, a major agricultural pest, was detected on Lindencliff Street in the unincorporated Harbor City area. As I reported to you in a letter dated September 12, a total of five specimens of OFF were detected in the South Bay region between September 4 and 10. The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) has been conducting an OFF eradication operation in a 19.1 square mile area including portions of the cities of Torrance, Carson, Lomita, Rolling Hills Estates, Rolling Hills, and Los Angeles (see attached map). The last scheduled eradication treatment was conducted on November 8. Yesterday's detection, though, serves to "restart the clock" regarding the eradication effort due to its proximity to the previous detection sites (approximately one-half mile) and the limited time between detections. The eradication operation will be revived for at least six more treatments, repeated at two-week intervals, beginning Monday, November 19.

We are informing the City Managers of Torrance, Carson, Lomita, Rolling Hills Estates, Rolling Hills, and Los Angeles, the respective public utilities and public works departments, the County Department of Public Works, and your Board offices in the treatment area to enable staff to answer questions from the public.

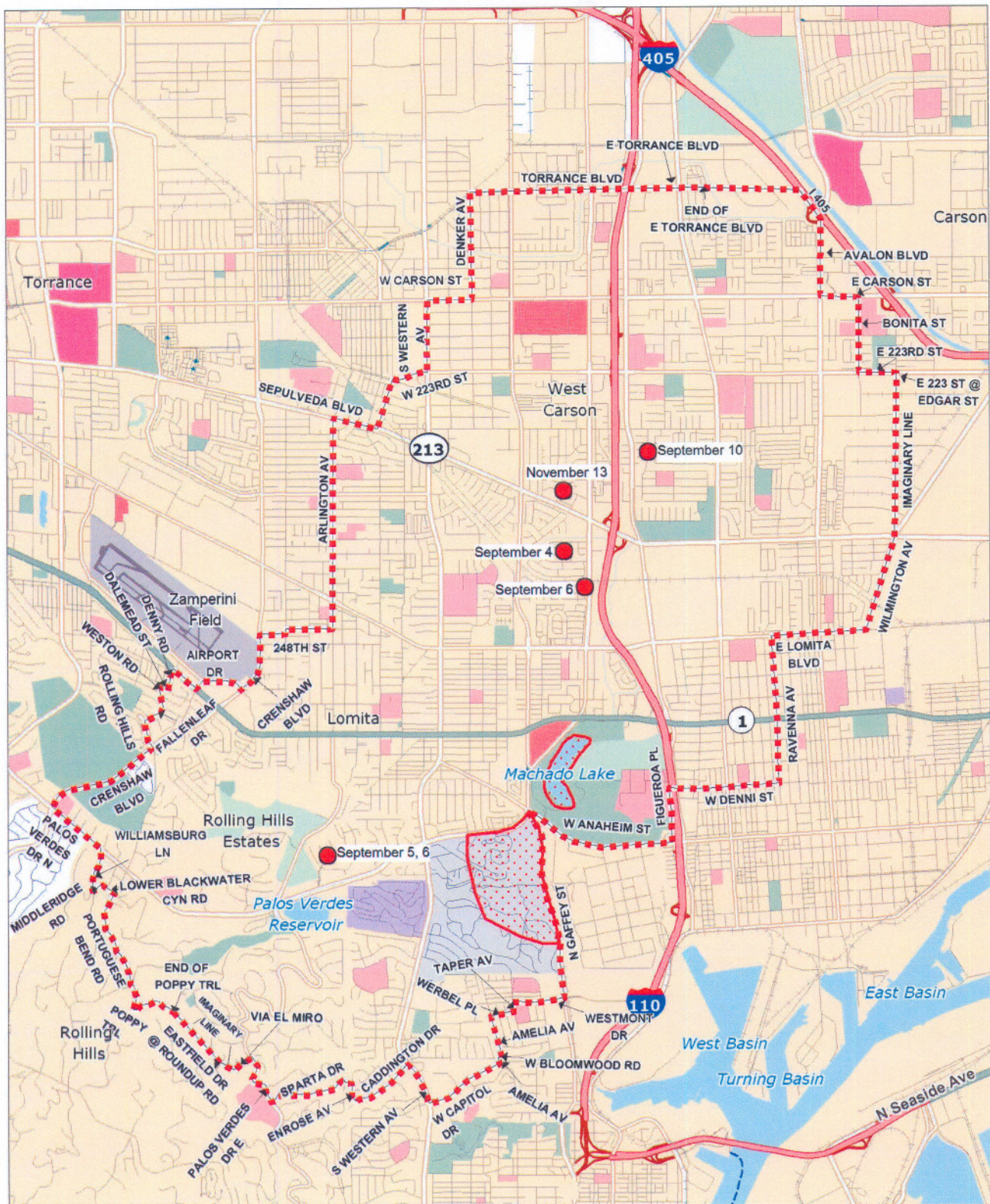
As previously reported, "male annihilation" treatments are being employed to combat this pest. The treatments consist of squirting a small spot of bait onto utility and light poles and streetside tree trunks. Approximately 600 such "bait stations" are placed approximately six to eight feet up on the poles and trees in each square mile of the eradication area. Male flies feed on the bait and are killed by the small amount of Naled pesticide in the bait. Such treatments present no inconvenience to community members. No aerial bait treatments are planned.

I will continue to update you as details become available and warrant an update.

c: William T Fujioka, Chief Executive Officer
R. Doyle Campbell, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Public Safety
Sachi Hamai, Executive Officer
Board Deputies

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- ERADICATION BOUNDARY
- SENSITIVE AREA
NO TREATMENT